Night and Day

Week 8- 30th October This week In Oak class:

<u>Maths</u>

Over the next two weeks, we are going to be focusing on the numbers 1,2, and 3.

The children will be exploring different representations of these numbers.

We will encourage children to count to three using objects in different arrangements by touching each object as they count. They should recognise that the final number they say is the quantity in that set. Children who are confident in this will use larger quantities when counting.



Expressive Arts and Design

Story time has become part of the children's daily routine and they are getting really good at sitting and listening to the story.

This half term, we will be looking at using different joining materials and using tools for a purpose- for example, using scissors to make small snips.

Our role play area will become a campsite as we begin to think about nocturnal animals and festivals that happen in darker evenings.

Communication and Language

This week we are going to continue to look at the date and learn the days of the week.

We are working hard at sitting on the carpet during our phonics session and we are now introducing a Maths session- these are both very short sessions at the moment while the children get used to sitting.

The children will also be introduced to the idea of talk partners on the carpet so they can begin to share their ideas.

Personal, Social and Emotional development

The children will make their own colour Monster over the next few weeks and we will be showing the children how they can use our own colour monster jars in class to think about how they are feeling. We continue to talk about different feelings and will show the children our 'calm area' where they can go and sit if they need some time on their own to be calm.

We are playing games in small groups and focusing on the children getting to know each other and their names.

We are going to continue to talk about the Kindness Badger and how we can show kindness.

Phonics

We are learning the next five letter sounds v,w,x,y,z We are making simple cvc words using magnetic letters and boards We are now starting to read simple cvc words by 'Fred talking' and then 'saying the sounds.' You can watch the videos for these sounds on our school's virtual classroom on our website:

https://www.loxwoodschool.com/web/phonics_and_early_readi ng/635274

Literacy

Mark making activities, we are writing the letter sounds v,w,x,y,z in the sand, using big chalk to write on the floor.

Drawing club- the children will be encouraged to take part in a mark making session several times a week- if they are ready to, this will include letter formation practise.

Story time takes place each day, the children are enjoying listening to a story and all of the story language.

Understanding of the world

We will be looking at the festival of Halloween and talking about how the children might be celebrating it.

We will have our own Halloween themed stories and activities this week.

The children have been enjoying the changing weather (wind and rain) and collecting natural objects to use in the mud kitchen. We will continue this over the next few weeks.

Physical Development

The children continue to explore inside and outside- gross motor skills outside.

We have begun to change for PE on a Tuesday- we are starting with changing our shoes. Please encourage your child to do this independently at home too.

We are encouraging those children who are ready, to hold a pencil and forming the letter sounds that we have been learning.